

FLOUR and FLOWERS OF SULPHUR

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est bunches for her to eat, and bring her the coolest water."

"Will she always be lame?"

"No, she will soon be well again. As soon as the bone was broken and the sheep saw her helpless condition, and appealed to me—O, I shall never forget the look of her eye—I set the leg, and the bone has knit nicely, and she will be about again after awhile. But she is not the sheep she was. She loves and trusts me now, and she knows my voice better than before, and I'll have no more trouble with her."

And the visitor, as she heard the shepherd's story, thought of her own disobedience and wilfulness, and the lesson went to her heart. And there came to her mind that passage so expressive of our treatment of the great and tender Shepherd: "All we, like sheep, have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all."—The American Weekly.

Helps for the Happy Home Life.

Each member of a family, particularly if he be advanced in years, has little oddities, to which he attaches a sort of happiness. It is a garment arranged in such a fashion. It is a newspaper brought at such an hour. It is a lamp put in such a spot. It is a game played in such a place. It is a visit expected at such a moment. It is a desire scarcely manifested, but often experienced. Watch all these little things. Take upon yourself to visit every morning the corners where they love to find everything that is useful for the day. Go first to the apartment where they all assemble; remove everything which could displease them; complete all the arrangements which have been carelessly made. Do all this without noise, without parade. Enjoy alone the happiness it gives you.

The angel of little sacrifices has received from heaven the mission of those angels of whom the prophet speaks, who removed the stones from the road lest they should bruise the feet of travelers. There is some work to be done, and she presents herself for it, simply with the joyous manner of one who finds her happiness in so doing. How many oversights repaired by this unknown hand! How many neglected things put in their places without our seeing how they came there. How many little joys procured for another without his ever having mentioned to any one the happiness which they would give him! Who has known thus how to do good in secret? Who has known how to divine the secrets of the heart? No position is subject to more petty annoyances than that of the mother of a family or the mistress of a house. It often happens that she is interrupted ten times in arranging an account or writing a letter. What a habit of holiness, what an empire over self, must not one possess in order to show no impatience and to meet these trifling contradictions with equable serenity? To discontinue one's work without any apparent trouble, to reply smilingly, to wait patiently the end of a long conversation, to resume calmly the interrupted work—this is the mark of a soul which possesses itself, and which God possesses. O, how much good these

souls effect around them, but how rare they are!

Mothers, friends, who wish to be always loved, find always a new and interesting occupation for those to whom you devote yourselves. And you who wish to remain always joyous, pure and loving, impose upon yourself each day some task—something definite, that you may not have the trouble of seeking it; something simple, that you can leave and resume without trouble; something interesting, which will attract you when your serious occupations are over, retain you by its charm, and fill the void in your day; "for instance, a collection to complete, a book to look over, something to acquire, a work of art to perfect." ** God has given to occupation the mission of the north wind—that of purifying the miasma of the heart, as the wind purifies the miasma of the atmosphere.—From Golden Sands.

A Simple Seed Tester.

A circular from the United States Department of Agriculture describes the simple method of testing seeds. The circular states:

As long as seedmen disclaim any form of guarantee with seeds they sell it is necessary for the purchaser to be able to estimate the quality of what is offered. The percentage of seed that will grow can easily be determined by means of a simple tester. Mix the seed thoroughly and count out 100 or 200 seeds just as they come, making no selection. Put them between a fold of cotton flannel or some similar cloth, taking care not to let the seeds touch one another. Lay the cloth on a plate, moisten it well, but do not saturate it, cover with another plate and keep at a temperature of about 70 degrees F. On the second and third days take out and count the sprouted seeds. Good seed should germinate 90 per cent or more in three days.

Bee Notes.

We find the following in Gleaning in Bee Culture.

A month ago I gave a clipping from a Cleveland paper setting forth as wonders what bee-keepers have practiced for many years. An explanation was given, but the editor made no reply. The same week, however, the following appeared in the same journal. It shows plainly that, after a subject has been discussed a good while in the parlor, it finds its way eventually to the servants' hall. It reads:

A bee that works only at night is found in the jungles of India. It is an unusually large insect. The combs are often six feet, and from four inches to six inches thick.

Somebody has heard of the giant bee, of India, and is palming off the above on the public. Just think of cells two to three inches deep! What the "six feet" refers to is not known. How much would such a comb weigh when filled? What would hold or support it?

Right on the track of the above comes the following, which is too good to lose:

Alonzo Murphy, a farmer living near Pochuck, while digging a ditch through some black dirt on his place recently, ran across the trunk of a tree about four feet below the surface. The

trunk was in a fine state of preservation. The log was about two feet in diameter, and hollow. In the hollow space Mr. Murphy found a large quantity of honey which was in a good state of preservation as was the tree-trunk. There was enough of it to supply himself and neighborhood for the winter. Prof. E. J. Ferguson says the honey has been there over 9000 years. He arrives at this estimate by the depth of the deposit of the soil over the log.

There is no such place as Pochuck in the Postal Guide. Don't scold commission men any more for putting honey in a cellar for a week when it can be kept, like "Massa," "in the cold, cold ground," for 9000 years. I should think such honey would "supply" a neighborhood a good while. The skill of Mr. Ferguson in deciding on the age of the honey is quite on a par with that of some scientists in giving the date of the death of the gentleman who left his skull at the bottom of a drift unknown ages before Adam. The Indians have always claimed there were no bees on this continent before the time of Columbus. They called the bee the "white man's fly."

But the great point is, whither are we drifting when the masses get information from such sources? I am glad to see that Mr. York has been calling attention to this matter.

Co-Operation in Cattle Breeding.

The plan, recommended by the Indiana Farmer would suit cattle men, with small herds, in Florida.

A good many farmers who have but small herds are using grade bulls because they say they cannot afford pure-bred ones. Why not do as neighborhoods do in draft horse breeding, where a good pure-bred stallion is bought by several farmers joining in the purchase? By this kind of co-operation among farmers in purchase of a prime pure-bred bull, a neighborhood could soon grade up their common cattle till they were worth nearly double what they are now. In a few years by such neighborly co-operation the cattle could be put finished on the market more per head, and grade beef cattle would be grown and fatted for the market with a large saving of grain and food-stuffs when it is remembered that such cattle could be put finished on the market weighing more at two to two and a half years old than common cattle can be made to weigh at three years old. Such a neighborhood bull would really be a money-maker for those who are now using a grade sire. Such co-operation partakes of the farm and purposes of stock corporation in manufacturing, where several persons join their capital because no one of them has enough for the business. It is not a new feature of industry, but can be extended to cattle and other live stock breeding and growing as successfully as it is in manufacturing.

E. O. Painter Fertilizer Co.,
Jacksonville, Fla.,

Will you kindly send me prices of your fertilizers for this year. I have used yours and no others, for the last three years and wish for no better. I wish to get 4 tons for the first application and more in June.

Yours truly, A. W. Hardee.

Rockledge, Fla., Jan. 16, 1905.

Who has tried rubbing glycerine over the window pane to prevent its becoming frosted? It is often a relief, especially if there's an invalid in the room who depends on the outside view for amusement.

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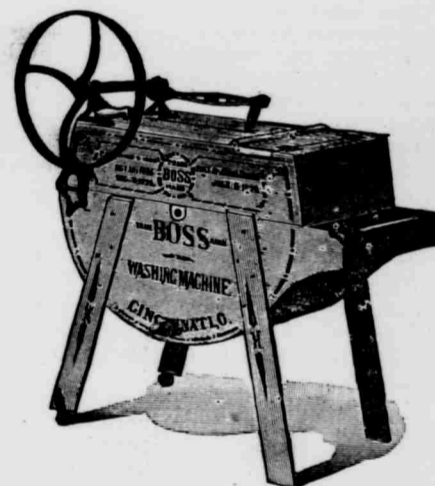
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